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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED JANUARY 24, 2002

In response to the office action mailed January 24, 2002 ("Office Action"), Applicants reiterate the claims being examined as follows:

In the claims:

1. (Reiterated) A pharmaceutical composition for preventing or treating peptic ulcer, comprising:

- (i) an American ginseng extract in an amount effective for preventing or treating peptic ulcer; and
- (ii) a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier;

wherein said American ginseng extract is extracted with a solvent, centrifuged, and filtered through an ultrafiltration membrane with molecular weight cut off at least 1,000 to give a retentate, and the retentate being concentrated to give the American Ginseng extract.

3. (Reiterated) The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 1, wherein said American ginseng extract is extracted with a solvent having a polarity higher than 0.88.

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11. (Reiterated) The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 1, wherein said peptic ulcer is a gastric ulcer or duodenal ulcer.